THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) to (e) The domestic electricity meter reported to be faulty by a consumer is replaced by DESU on the written request of the consumer along with a testing fee of Rs. 10 in the form of a Crossed Indian Postal Order. A meter found stopped by the field staff is not subject to any testing fee. In respect of a burnt meter, the concerned consumer is required to give a written undertaking to pay the cost and replacement charges for the same. A photocopy of the last paid electricity consumption bill is also required to be submitted along with the application for the replacement of a burnt meter by the consumer. The present rate of such charges is Rs. 273 in respect of the replacement of a single phase domestic meter. The charges so paid are not refundable.

25 cases of burnt meters were reported by the consumers in Sector VII, R. K. Puram, Government Quarters during Octo ber, 1991 to December, 1992. They were found burnt due to defect in the consumer's internal wiring/overloading of the meters and were replaced on depositing requisite charges of Rs. 273 in each case. The ques tion of making any verbal promises for re funding the replacement charges does no* arise.

Closure of Rajghat Power Station

998. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased *to* state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rajghat power station is likely to be closed for re-pairs to reduce the pollution level;

(b) if so, how long it will remain closed : and

(c) in what manner Government proposed
to meet the energy requirements of Delhi during the period of closure of the power station ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) to (c) One Unit of Rajghat Power Station of DESU has been closed down from 12th April, 1993 for rectification of the Electrostatic Precipitator to bring down the pollution level within the prescribed limit. This Unit is likely to be recommissioned in the month of May, 1993. Similar repairs to the second unit are proposed to be undertaken after rehabilitation of the first unit and this work is likely to be completed by the end of June, 1993. No difficulty is anticipated in meeting the power requirements of Delhi even if need arises to close down both the Units of Rajghat in the interest of pollution control. The requirements can he met by additional drawal of power from the Norihern Grid.

Clearance of Power Projects

999. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAV RAO JADHAV:
SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) what are the power projects from different parts of the country which are lying with his Ministry for approval;

(b) what are the names of power projects to be cleared for Maharashtra State : and

(c) by when these will be cleared ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) to (c) Schemes arc accorded techno-cconomic clearance subject to the fulfilment of certain conditions regarding tying up of inputs, completion of the formalities required under Section 29 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 and obtaining the requisite linkages

and clearances from other Departments/ Ministries. Amongst the projects presently under examination for issuance of techno-economie clearance are:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Capacity (in MW)
1	2	3
A. HYDEL		
	ASSAM	
1.	Pagladia MPP (Nalbari)	1×2.5+1×3 = 5.5
	HIMACHAL PRADESH	
2.	Malana (Kullu)	2×43=86
3.	Baspa St. II (Revised) (Private Sector) (Kinnaur)	3×100 = 300
4.	Parbati (St. II) (Joint Sector) (Kullu)	4×200=800
5.	Parbati (St. III) (Joint Sector) (Kullu)	3×167 = 501
6.	Hibra (Chamba)	3×77 = 231
	MADHYA PRADESH	
7.	Marhikheda MPP (Shivpuri)	2×20—1×20=60
8.	Omkareshwar MPP (Khandawa)	8×65 = 520
9.	Gandhi Sagar Ph-II (Mandsaur)	4×40 = 160
	MAHARASHTRA	
10.	Chikhaldara (Amravati)	4×100 = 400
	SIKKIM	
11.	Teesta St. V (East Sik.)	3×170 = 510
	UTTAR PRADESH	
12.	Gori Ganga St-IIIA & IIIB (Centra Sector) (Pithoragarh)	3×40 + 2×10 = 140

1	2	3
13.	TIUNI PLASU (Dehradun)	3 × 14 = 42
	B. THERMAL	
	HARYANA	
1.	Hisar TPS Dist. Hissar.	2 × 250 = 500
2.	Palwal TPS Dist. Faridabad	2 × 250 = 500
	PUNJAB	
3.	Dhruri TPS Dist. Sangrur	2 × 500 = 1000
4.	Goindwal Sahib TPS Dist. Amritsar	2 × 250 = 500
	RAJASTHAN	
5.	Dholpur TPS Dist. Dholpur	3× 250 = 750
6.	Ramgarh CCGT Ph-II Distt. Jaisalmer Ph-III	35 (GT) + 35 + 53.5 (ST) = 88.5 (GT)
7.	M/s. Century Textiles and Indu. Ltd., Chittorgarh TPS Dist. Chittorgarh (Private Sector)	1 × 500 — 500
	UTTAR PRADESH	
8.	Belthera Road TPS Distt. Ballia	3 × 250 — 750
9.	Anpara 'C' TPS Distt. Sonebhadra	2 × 500 — 1000
10.	Rosa TPS *Distt.* Shahjahanpur	3× 250 — 750
11.	Jawaharpur TPS Distt. Etah.	3 × 250 — 750
	DELHI	
12.	Bawana CCGT Distt. Delhi.	600/650
	GUJARAT	
13.	Gandhinagar TPS Extn. Distt. Gandhinagar	1 × 210 = 210
14.	Wanakbori TPS Extn. U-7 Distt. Kheda	1 × 210 = 210
15.	Mangrol (Lignite) TPS— M/s. GPCL (Private Sector)	1 × 250 = 250

1	2	3
	MAHARASHTRA	
16.	Dabhol GTCC by M/s. Dabhol Power Company (ENRON Development Corpn.) (Private Sector)	2015
17.	Barge Mounted TPS by M/s. Confidence Shipping Co (P) Ltd., (Private Sector)	110
	MADHYA PRADESH	
18.	Raigarh TPS Distt. Raigarh	2 × 500 = 1000
19.	Sanjay Gandhi TPS Extn. Distt. Birsingphpur	1 × 500 = 500
	ANDHRA PRADESH	
20.	Rayalaseem St. II (Muddanore) Distt. Cuddapah	2 × 210 = 420
21.	Kothagudem TPS St. V Distt. Khammam	2 × 250 = 500
	KARNATAKA	
22.	Raichur St. III TPS-KPCL Distt. Raichur	1 × 500 = 500
23.	Vijayanagar TPS near Hospet—KPCL Distt. Bellary	1 × 500 = 500
24.	Chamalapura TPS near Mysore—KPCL Distt. Mysore	1 × 500 = 500
	KERALA	
25.	DG Plant at Kozikode Distt. Kozikode	126
26.	Vyppin CCGT—Kochi KSEB Distt. Ernakulam	1200
	TAMIL NADU	
27.	Gas Based OCGT Plant at Pillai—Perumalnallur St. II Distt. Thanjavar	300
28.	North Madras TPS St. II Distt. Chengai Anna	500
29.	Tuticorin TPS Extn. St. IV Distt. Chidambaram	500

1	2	4
	WEST BENGAL	
30.	Murshidabad TPS Distt. Murshidabad	4 × 500 = 2000
31.	Balagarh TPS Distt. Hoogly	3 × 250 = 750
32.	Gouripore TPS, West Bengal (Private Sector)	2× 67.5 = 135
	ORISSA	
33.	Talcher TPS Extn., Distt. Dhenkanal	2 × 250 = 500
34.	M/s. Kalinga Corpn., Dubri TPS Distt. Cuttack (Private Sector)	2 × 250 = 500
	BIHAR	
35.	Jojobera TPS by M/s. Jamshedpur Power Co.Ltd., (Private Sector)	3 × 67.53= 202.5
	ASSAM	
36.	Additional GT Sets at Namrup Distt. Namrup	60

Budgetary support to power generation sector

1000. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

• (a) whether budgetary support granted to the power generation sector will attract a huge flow of investment from the private sector, if so, what are the details thereof ;

(b) whether Government feel that concessions given to the power sector are inadequate to attract further large funds ; and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken to fill the requirements of the power sector ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Private sector participation in electricity generation, supply and distribution is being encouraged to bring in additionality of resources into the power sector.

(b) and (c) Government has offered a package of incentives and conces ons to attract private sector participation in power sector, which has resulted in 41 intendments for investment, so far.

Commercial viability of National Power Grid

1001. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to slate :

(a) whether the National Power Grid has become a reality if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the con cept of National Grid which had been